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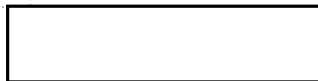30 April 1974

SUBJECT: Status of Decompartmentation Working Group Actions

TO   : [   ]   **25X1A**

1.   Critical Photo Satellite System Parameters Paper

     A.   The basic draft of this paper, which is a subjective paper based upon current reports, etc. (designed to identify the critical parameters of the photo satellite systems which should be protected) is in typing. The initial review of this paper will be accomplished by the working group at its 2 May 1974 meeting. The final paper should be ready for Steering Group review by 15 May.

2.   'NIIRS 6' Reply to USIB

     A.   It appears that there may be modifications made to the NIIRS 6 rating [   ]   **25X1** to some other footage scale), however, it is estimated that this data will not be available for at least 30 days. This problem will also be discussed at the 2 May meeting. It will also be the object at this meeting to find which problems, if any, are caused by the current USIB regulations which require that decompartmentation of the NIIRS 6 rated photos be the exception rather than eligible for automatic release.

3.   The TALENT-KEYHOLE Manual

     A.   Currently, it is envisaged that the TKH manual will be published in four parts (the TCO section, the TSO section, the MC&G section and the Foreign Release section). It is anticipated that the first draft will be ready for working group review on 21 May 1974. This draft will be revised and sent to the Steering Group on 15 June and then to COMIREX on 22 June. Hopefully the publications aspect ([   ]and staff) and questions from the field will be resolved and included.

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B.   I have asked [   ] and staff to request a meeting with [   ] and staff early in the week of 6 May to discuss and resolve problem areas. Further, I will propose that any resultant instructions be tested inhouse (CIA only) and that resultant problems be resolved prior to including the instructions in the TKH manual.

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